

A NEW STATION FOR *COREMA CONRADII*, TORR

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This rare plant was formerly collected in the Pine Barrens of New Jersey, by Torrey and Knieskern. It is now lost from the places indicated by them, though diligent search has been made for it there by Messrs. Redfield and Parker.

It was at one time found on Long Island, but not of late years. It is probably extinct both in New Jersey and on Long Island.

It has been found on Cape Cod and on the Kennebee, New Bath, Maine, and in Newfoundland. Whether it is now to be found in these places or not I am not informed.

The specimens which I exhibit to-night were collected in the Palmaghatt Glen or Pass of the Swawangunk Mountains, by Mr. Edward A. Smiley, at my request, in October of the present year. His father, A. H. Smiley, the proprietor of the Minnewaska House, informed me in the preceding month of August, that there was a singular little plant, with the aspect of a very small cedar, growing on a ledge of rocks on the Palmaghatt, some two and a-half miles from his house.

From the rather inaccurate description of it given me by him and his son, whose intelligent curiosity had also been directed to the plant, I surmised that it might be *Corema*.

I therefore engaged Mr. Smiley at the first opportunity to collect, and send me by mail, specimens of it.

It grows, Mr. E. A. Smiley writes me, on the edge of a precipice of upper silurian rocks of Ulster County, in a very thin soil. In May next I hope to have from him specimens in flower and fruit.

The plant appears to be one of those which are verging to extinction, the conditions of its environment seeming to be against its prolonged life,